

Training Photos



HELO TECH at Lake Monticello



Short Haul Operations

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COMMUNICATIONS:

SC-HART uses talkgroups on the Palmetto 800 radio system for primary radio communications.

SC-HART also responds with VHF and UHF radio capability.



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What is SC-HART?

SC-HART is the South Carolina Helicopter Aquatic Rescue Team.

SC-HART is a collaborative effort between the State Urban Search and Rescue Task Force (SC-TF1) under the direction of S.C. LLR, Office of the State Fire Marshal, S.C. Emergency Management Division and the Army National Guard Aviation Unit based at McEntire. This program has trained professional rescuers from SC-TF1 and highly-trained pilots and crew members from the Army National Guard and made them a cohesive unit capable of performing helicopter rescue using the UH-60 Blackhawk.

TRAINING

The professional rescuers (18 personnel) from SC-HART completed initial training using the 80 hour Helicopter Rescue Technician Class that meets USCG Rescue Swimmer standards. Team personnel must maintain an extremely high level of physical fitness to remain active. The team conducts three-day quarterly training around the state to maintain proficiency.

The initial Helicopter Technician class was completed in September of 2009. The team has been OPERATIONAL ever since.



ALL HAZARDS CAPABILITIES

- Short Haul
- Hoist Operations
- Land or Water Based
- Swift Water/Mountain
- Ambulatory/Non-Ambulatory



ACTIVATION

SC-HART is available 24/7 and responds at no cost (in state) to the requesting agency.

Call the State Warning Point at **803-737-8500** to request this team.

Average response time is 90-120 minutes.